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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Lightweight Thermal Paper from Germany; Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review; 2010-2011

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of

Commerce

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (the Department) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on lightweight thermal paper (LWTP) from Germany for the period November 1, 2010, through October 31, 2011. We have preliminarily determined that Papierfabrik August Koehler AG (Koehler) made sales of subject merchandise at less than normal value, based on adverse facts available (AFA).

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stephanie Moore or George McMahon, AD/CVD Operations, Office 3, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-3692 or (202) 482-1167, respectively.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Scope of the Order

The merchandise covered by the order is lightweight thermal paper. The merchandise subject to the order is currently classified under the following Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (HTSUS) subheadings: 3703.10.60, 4811.59.20, 4811.90.8000, 4811.90.8030, 4811.90.8040, 4811.90.8050, 4811.90.9000, 4811.90.9030, 4811.90.9035, 4811.90.9050,

4811.90.9080, 4811.90.9090, 4820.10.20, and 4823.40.00. Although the HTSUS numbers are provided for convenience and customs purposes, the written product description, available in the Orders, remains dispositive.¹

Methodology

In making these findings, we have relied on total facts available and because Koehler did not act to the best of its ability to respond to the Department's requests for information, we have drawn an adverse inference in selecting from among the facts otherwise available. <u>See</u> sections 776(a) and (b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).

Pursuant to section 776(b) of the Act, we are relying on information from the petition in order to ensure that the AFA rate is sufficiently adverse so as to induce cooperation.²

Accordingly, we have preliminarily determined to apply a 75.36 percent rate as AFA for Koehler. For a full description of the methodology underlying our conclusions, see the Memorandum to Paul Piquado, Assistant Secretary for Import Administration from Christian Marsh, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Operations, titled "Decision Memorandum for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review: Lightweight Thermal Paper from Germany," (Preliminary Decision Memorandum), dated concurrently with these results and hereby adopted by this notice. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Import Administration's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (IA ACCESS). IA

¹ See Antidumping Duty Orders: Lightweight Thermal Paper from Germany and the People's Republic of China, 73 FR 70959 (November 24, 2008) (Orders).

² <u>See</u> Memorandum to File through Eric B. Greynolds, Program Manager, AD/CVD Operations 3, from the Team, titled "Lightweight Thermal Paper from Germany: Notice of Preliminary Results of Antidumping Administrative Review: Application of Total Adverse Facts Available Rate," (AFA Memo) dated concurrently with this notice.

Unit (CRU), room 7046 of the main Department of Commerce building. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum can be accessed directly on the Internet at http://www.trade.gov/ia/. The signed Preliminary Decision Memorandum and the electronic versions of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum are identical in content.

Preliminary Results of the Review

As a result of this review, we preliminarily determine that the following weightedaverage dumping margin exists for the period November 1, 2010, through October 31, 2011:

Manufacturer/Exporter	Weighted-Average Dumping Margin (percent)
Papierfabrik August Koehler AG	75.36

Disclosure and Public Comment

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c), interested parties may submit cases briefs not later than 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. Rebuttal briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed not later than five days after the date for filing case briefs.³ Parties who submit case briefs or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding are encouraged to submit with each argument: (1) a statement of the issue, (2) a brief summary of the argument, and (3) a table of authorities.4

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing, or to participate if one is requested, must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, filed electronically via IA ACCESS within 30 days after the date of publication

³ <u>See</u> 19 CFR 351.309(d). ⁴ <u>See</u> 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).

of this notice.⁵ Requests should contain: (1) The party's name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of the issues to be discussed. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to those raised in the respective case briefs. The Department will issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of its analysis of the issues raised by the parties in any written briefs, not later 120 days after the date of publication of this notice, pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act.

Assessment Rate

Upon issuance of the final results, the Department shall determine, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review. For Koehler, we will assign an importer-specific <u>ad valorem</u> duty assessment rate to the total entered value of those same sales in accordance with section 776(b) of the Act. We will instruct CBP to assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries covered by this review when the importer-specific assessment rate in the final results of this review is above <u>de minimis</u> (<u>i.e.</u>, 0.50 percent). Where either the respondent's weighted-average dumping margin is zero or <u>de minimis</u>, or an importer-specific assessment rate is zero or <u>de minimis</u>, we will instruct CBP to liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to antidumping duties. The final results of this review shall be the basis for the assessment of antidumping duties on entries of merchandise covered by the final results of this review where applicable.

The Department clarified its "automatic assessment" regulation on May 6, 2003.⁷ This clarification will apply to entries of subject merchandise during the period of review produced by each respondent for which they did not know that their merchandise was destined for the United

⁵ See 19 CFR 351.310(c).

⁶ See 19 CFR 351.308

⁷ See Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Assessment of Antidumping Duties, 68 FR 23954 (May 6, 2003).

States. In such instances, we will instruct CBP to liquidate unreviewed entries at the all-others rate if there is no rate for the intermediate company or companies involved in the transaction.

For a full discussion of this clarification, see Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings:

Assessment of Antidumping Duties.

We intend to issue instructions to CBP 15 days after publication of the final results of this review.

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following cash deposit requirements will be effective upon publication of the notice of final results of administrative review for all shipments of subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication of the final results of this administrative review, as provided by section 751(a)(2) of the Act: (1) the cash deposit rate for Koehler listed in the "Preliminary Result of the Review" section, will be the rate established in the final results of this administrative review; (2) for merchandise exported by manufacturers or exporters not covered in this administrative review but covered in a prior segment of the proceeding, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recent period; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review, a prior review, or the original investigation, but the manufacturer is, the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recent period for the manufacturer of the merchandise; and (4) the cash deposit rate for all other manufacturers or exporters will continue to be 6.50 percent, the all-others rate established in the investigation.⁸ These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

⁸ See Orders.

Notification to Importers

This notice also serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility

under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping

duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this review period. Failure to comply

with this requirement could result in the Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of

antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

We are issuing and publishing these results in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and

777(i)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213.

Ronald K. Lorentzen
Acting Assistant Secretary

for Import Administration

December 3, 2012_____

Date

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Appendix I

List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

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